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release outer layer consisting of 25 mg carbidopa, 100 mg levodopa, 224 mg microcrystalline cellulose, 15 mg croscarmellose sodium, 3.0 mg silicon dioxide and 3.0 mg magnesium stearate which is separated by an intermediate excipient layer from a sustained release core layer consisting of 50 mg carbidopa, 200 mg levodopa, 80 mg methocel, 61 mg microcrystalline cellulose, 15 mg croscarmellose sodium, 20 mg silicon dioxide and 2.0 mg magnesium stearate, the mg being mg/tablet.

33 (New). A pharmaceutical composition for treating Parkinson's disease which avoids delay in onset and extends activity having an immediate release outer layer consisting of 12.5 mg carbidopa, 50 mg levodopa, 123.5 mg microcrystalline cellulose, 2.0 mg silicone dioxide and 10 mg magnesium stearate which is separated by an intermediate excipient layer from a sustained release core layer consisting of 37.5 mg carbidopa, 150 mg levodopa, 80 mg methocel, 53.5 mg microcrystalline cellulose, 2.0 mg silicon dioxide and 2.0 mg magnesium stearate, the mg being mg/tablet.